

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please **add** the following **new** paragraph at page 1, line 3:

-- This application claims the benefit, under 35 U.S.C. § 365 of International Application PCT/EP03/06559, filed June 21, 2003, which was published in accordance with PCT Article 21(2) on July 10, 2003 in English and which claims the benefit of European patent application No. 02017217.7, filed July 31, 2002.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION --

Please **add** the following **new** paragraph after the paragraph ending at page 1, line 8:

-- BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION --

Please **delete** the following paragraph that begins at page 2, line 6:

-- ~~It is an object of the invention to reduce these undesired effects.~~ --

Please **add** the following **new** paragraph after the paragraph ending at page 2, line 6:

-- SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION --

Please **add** the following **new** paragraph after the paragraph ending at page 5, line 27:

-- BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS --

Please **add** the following **new** paragraph after the paragraph ending at page 6, line 6:

-- DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS --